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## newsletter

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### ORIENTATION PARTY

This year's Annual Orientation Wine and Cheese Party was the best that we have ever had. The party was preceeded by speeches from all the Deans of the University and questions were answered by the Program Directors. The number of students who turned out was around 300 and a good time was had by all. This year the Wine and Cheese Party provided a rare opportunity for students to talk with the Deans and Program Directors in an informal situation and we feel that many students benefited from this.

Many thanks are due to the Deans and Program Directors and also to those students who showed up.

### HAPPY HOUR

The Graduate Students' Association will be holding three consecutive Happy Hours for all graduate students and their guests. They will take place on Thursday, November 6th, 13th and 20th from 4p.m. to 6 p.m. in Room H-651. Drinks will be sold at reduced prices (Mixed Drinks - 75¢, Beer - 40¢) so be sure to bring a friend and join us for the Happy Hour.

### ELECTIONS

The following positions were filled by acclamation in the November

By-election:

Secretary/Treasurer	- Richard Hahn
Commerce Rep.	- Stefanos Vavalidis
Science Rep.	- Rajender S. Sipehia
Fine Arts Rep.	- Kim Moodie.

The positions of President and Arts Rep. are being contested and elections will take place in the first two weeks of November.

The positions of Vice-President and Engineering Rep. were filled in the March General Election and are held by:

Vice- President	- K.S. Thyagarajan
Engineering Rep.	- Omair Ahmad

## QUESTIONNAIRE

We have finally compiled all the information from the questionnaires that we sent you earlier this year. We received 131 completed questionnaires which is 5.7% of the graduate student population. All the answers are in percentages and, as you may note, they don't always add up to 100%. This is because some students did not answer all questions, or only answered part of questions. The answers shown are the percentage of the students who answered that question.

Following the results of the Questionnaire are student responses to Question 19 - "Are there any services that you would like to see created?".

### FACULTY

Arts - 42%  
Commerce - 29  
Engineering - 15.2  
Science - 11.4  
Fine Arts - 2

### AGE

20 to 24 - 14.5%  
25 to 27 - 16.7  
28 to 30 - 19  
over 30 - 49.6

### MARITAL STATUS

Single - 40.4%  
Married - 54.9  
Divorced - 4.5

### NUMBER OF CHILDREN

None - 63.3%  
One - 6.1  
Two - 16  
Three - 9.1  
More than three - 4.5

### DEGREE

Master's - 61%  
PH.D. - 3  
Diploma - 4.5

## UTILIZATION OF STUDENT SERVICES

1. Have you made use of the Canada Manpower Centre located on campus?

Never - 83%  
1 - 3 times - 10  
4 - 10 times - 1.5  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 16%  
No - 73

2. Did you obtain a job through Manpower?

Never - 93.1%  
1 - 3 times - 1.5  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 12.2%  
No - 74.8

3. Did you go to the Wine and Cheese Orientation Party?

Never - 65.6%  
1 - 3 times - 27.4  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 39.6%  
No - 51.9

4. Have you used the services of the University Chaplains?

Never - 93.8%  
1 - 3 times - 0.76  
3 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 3%  
No - 87

5. Did you obtain housing through the registry maintained by the Dean of Students' Office?

Never - 93.1%  
1 - 3 times - 0.76  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 5.3%  
No - 85.4

6. Have you used the Group Health and Accident Insurance Plan arranged through the Dean of Students' Office?

Never - 92.3%  
1 - 3 times - 1.5  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 16%  
No - 38.9

7. Have you sought information concerning financial aid through the Dean of Students' Office?

Never - 76.3%  
1 - 3 times - 16.7  
4 - 10 times - 0.76  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 17.5%  
No - 73.2

8. Are you the recipient of financial aid obtained through the Dean of Students' Office?

Never - 88.5%  
1 - 3 times - 4.5  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 8.3%  
No - 81.6

9. Have you obtained a Student Services Guide?

Never - 70.2%  
1 - 3 times - 25.1  
4 - 10 times - 0.76  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 29.7%  
No - 60.3

10. Have you used the services of the Health Centre?

Never - 74%  
1 - 3 times - 14.5  
4 - 10 times - 5.3  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 24.4%  
No - 64.8

11. Have you participated in the following intramural programs of the University Physical Education and Athletics Program?

- a) Competitive: Golf, Tennis, Touch Football, Curling, Basketball, Bowling, Ice Hockey, Floor Hockey, Table Tennis.

Never - 90%  
1 - 3 times - 1.5  
4 - 10 times - 4.5  
more than 10 - 4.5

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 22.9%  
No - 83.2

- b) Instructional: Karate, Judo, Yoga, Fitness, Ski- Conditioning, Modern Dance, Kempo, Aikido, Basketball Clinic.

Never - 54.9%  
1 - 3 times - 1.5  
4 - 10 times - 0.76  
more than 10 - 2.2

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 31.2%  
No - 50.3

- c) Recreational: Swimming, Riflery, Volleyball.

Never - 63.3%  
1 - 3 times - 1.5  
4 - 10 times - 0.76  
more than 10 - 7.6

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 13%  
No - 56.4

- d) Recreational: Badminton, Netball, Figure Skating, Ski-Club, Outdoor-Club.

Never - 93.8%  
1 - 3 times - 2.2  
4 - 10 times - 0.76  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 16%  
No - 83.4

12. Have you attended any of the following intercollegiate matches?

- a) Women's Teams: Hockey, Volleyball, Curling.

Never - 93.8%  
1 - 3 times - 0  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0.76

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 3.8%  
No - 91.6

- b) Men's Teams: Hockey, Basket-ball, Soccer, Golf, Curling, Judo, Tennis.

Never - 83.1%  
1 - 3 times - 8.3  
4 - 10 times - 0.76  
more than 10 - 5.3

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 6.1%  
No - 87.7

c) Mixed Teams: Badminton, Skiing, Curling, Tennis.

Never - 93.1%  
1 - 3 times - 0.76  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 6.8%  
No - 88.5

13. Have you used the Office of Guidance Services for academic,  
vocational or personal problem counselling?

Never - 75.5%  
1 - 3 times - 9.9.  
4 - 10 times - 1.5  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 13.7%  
No - 69.4

14. Have you used the Office of Guidance Services for career  
planning information?

Never - 77.8%  
1 - 3 times - 7.6  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 8.3%  
No - 59.5

15. Have you taken the Reading Training courses offered by the  
Office of Guidance Services?

Never - 83.9%  
1 - 3 times - 3.8  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 7.6%  
No - 75.5

16. Have you used the career placement service of the Office of  
Guidance Services?

Never - 87%  
1 - 3 times - 0  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 9.9%  
No - 74

17. Have you used the services of the Child Care Centre?

Never - 87.7%  
1 - 3 times - 0  
4 - 10 times - 0  
more than 10 - 0

Are you likely to use  
this service in the  
future? Yes - 3.8%  
No - 79.3

18. Have you obtained satisfactory guidance in the following  
categories without recourse to the Concordia Guidance services?

a) Personal - Yes - 16.7%  
No - 62.5

c) Academic - Yes - 28.2%  
No - 54.9

b) Vocational - Yes - 17.5%  
No - 63.3

d) Guidance Information -  
Yes - 11.4%  
No - 65.6

20. State your preference for the method of graduate student responsibility for Student Services:

- a) Uniform fee for all students - 13.7%
- b) Per credit fee - 13.7%
- c) No advance fee, fees paid as services used. - 69.4
- d) Other - 3.2

21. Should the Graduate Student Services fee:

- a) Have priorities set by and administered by the U.C.S.L. - 1.5%
- b) Have priorities set by the Graduate Students' Association, based on the tabulated results of this study, and be administered by a professional administrator? - 24.4
- c) Have priorities set by the U.C.S.L. and the G.S.A. and be administered jointly. - 12.9
- d) Have priorities set by the G.S.A and be administered by the U.C.S.L. - 9.9
- e) Have priorities set by the U.C.S.L. and the G.S.A. and be administered by the G.S.A. - 16.7
- f) Have priorities set by the U.C.S.L. and the G.S.A. and be administered by a professional administrator. - 11.4

19. Many of the answers came from the Commerce students, but there were also many others who stated the services they would like to see created.

- a) Better lounges, eating facilities, communication of services and student aid.
- b) Rent-a-typewriter installed in the libraries.
- c) Indoor and outdoor tennis, swimming pool.
- d) More active G.S.A and related services.
- e) Discount purchasing using student (group) buying power -
  - i) Goods - cars, clothing etc.
  - ii) Services - car insurance, group travel, repairs, rentals, personal loans.

Some students felt that they did not have the time to spend on extra-curricular activities because they worked full time. They felt that these activities are superfluous. Others felt that services for part-time students are not really needed.